



PRESS RELEASE

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SWAGAA November 2021 COUNSELING STATISTICS

The following statistics are a result of psychosocial services rendered by the Swatini Action Group Against Abuse (SWAGAA) to survivors of abuse November 2021 in four (4) sites: Manzini, Simunye, Hlatsi and Pigg's Peak. This also includes survivors who received post abuse care under Insika yakusasa project.

Overview of Statistics

SWAGAA's counseling department provided post abuse care services to a total of 174 clients who reported gender-based violence cases, that is, the client was either sexually, physically, neglect, financially or emotionally abused.

Note that the number of cases is higher than the number of clients because a client can report multiple types of abuse at the same time as we have 194 cases of abuse that happened to 174 survivors.

Region where the abuse took place

There were 80 survivors in the Manzini region who reported abuse-related cases, 71 in Hhohho, 15 in Lubombo and 8 in Shiselweni.

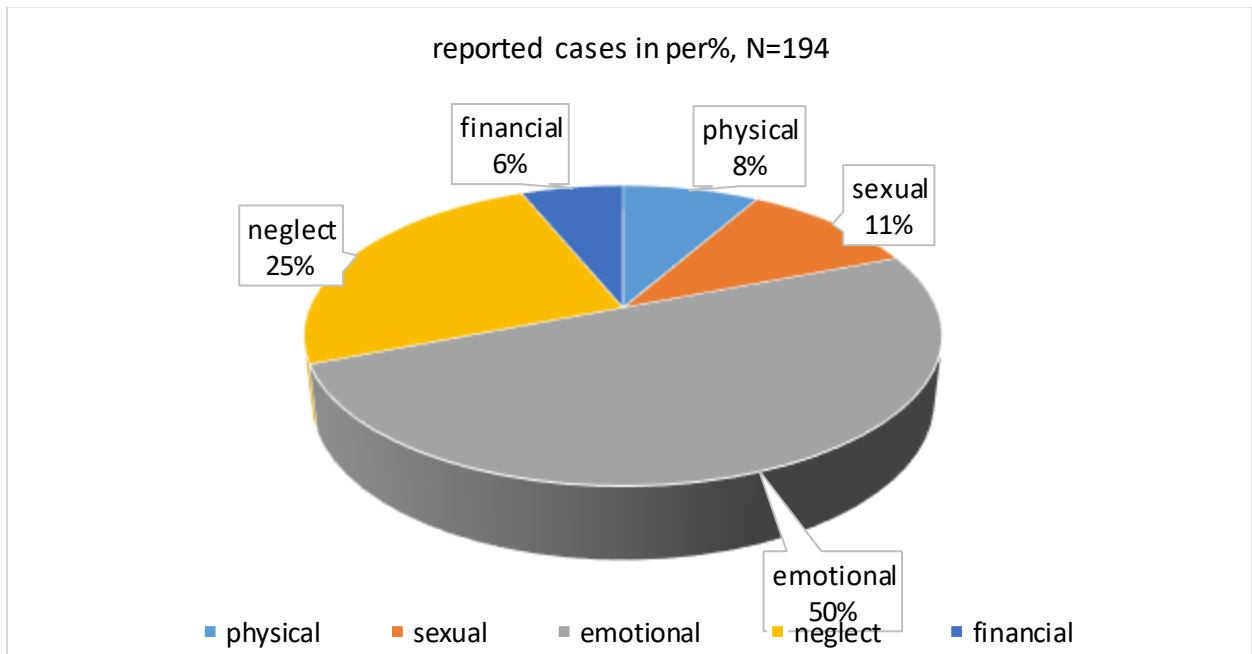
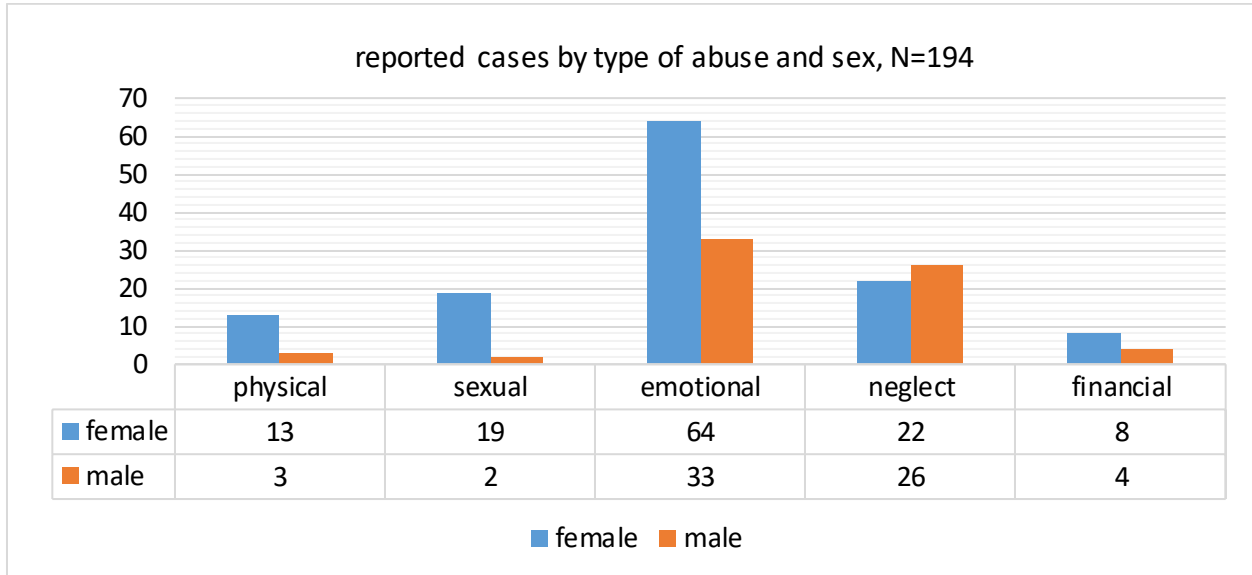
Type of abuse

There were 97 recorded cases of emotional abuse, 48 cases of neglect, 16 cases of physical abuse, 12 cases of financial abuse and 21 cases of sexual abuse.

Type of abuse	Cases	
	Female	Male
Sexual	19	2
Physical	13	3
Financial	8	4
Neglect	22	26
Emotional_Verbal	64	33
Total	126	68

Emotional abuse records the highest number of cases this month; followed by neglect, sexual, physical and lastly financial.







SWAGAA CLIENTS: SURVIVOR AND PERPETRATOR PROFILE

There were 108 female and 66 male clients who reported abuse and received post-abuse care services this month. In relation to the perpetrator profile, there were 89 male perpetrators and 54 female perpetrators reported and there were 26 incidents where both sexes were perpetrators. Lastly, there were 5 incidents where the sex of the perpetrator was not stated.

Relationship between Survivor and Perpetrator

The table below illustrates the relationship between survivor and perpetrator:

Number of Survivors	Relationship with perpetrator
16	Husband
7	Wife
16	(ex) Boyfriend
5	(ex) Girlfriend
18	Father
22	Mother
17	Both parents
54	Relatives (children, cousins, in-laws, uncle aunts, stepparents etc.)
14	Person from neighborhood
5	Stranger/ unknown person

This month relatives were the main perpetrators of violence, that is, (54) survivors reported to be abused by their relatives. Other is as follows, 22 survivors reported being abused by their mother and 18 by their father, 16 by their boyfriends and 5 by their girlfriends. Furthermore, 17 survivors reported being abused by their parents (mother and father).

Location of abuse

Place where abuse occurred	Number of survivors
Home	146
Open field	18
Work place	3
Other	5
Not stated	2





Home continues to be the predominant place where most of the reported abuse cases took place as the table above illustrates. This could be the survivor's or perpetrator's home which shows that most of the abuse is brought by people who stay with and are known to the survivor.

Reporting places

This table indicates where clients first reported their cases

DSW	39
Health facility	7
Police	53
SWAGAA	64
Other	6
Not stated	5

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